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1. IF THE SPANISH ARE SERIOUSLY INTERESTED IN EXCHANGE
TRAINING BETWEEN A SPANISH PARACHUTE BRIGADE AND A US
AIRBORNE BATTALION STATIONED IN ITALY, WE SEE NO REASON
WHY THE PROPOSAL SHOULD NOT BE PUT TO THE ITALIANS. WE
ARE, HOWEVER, UNAWARE OF ANY PRECEDENTS FOR THE USE OF
FACILITIES GRANTED FOR NATO USE BY COUNTRIES WHICH ARE NOT
MEMBERS OF THE ALLIANCE AND AGREE WITH EMBASSY ROME THAT
THIS MAY BE A STICKING POINT WITH THE ITALIANS. THE IDEA
OF TRILATERAL EXERCISES, PERHAPS FIRST IN SPAIN, INVOLVING
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THE ITALIANS, SPANISH AND THE US STRIKES US AS
A PROPOSAL WORTH PURSUING.

2. WE ANTICIPATE THAT MOST ALLIES WOULD DEFER TO THE
ITALIANS ON THE QUESTION OF EXCHANGE TRAINING, BUT BELIEVE
THE ITALIANS SHOULD FIRST BE APPROACHED IN ROME. WE ARE
PREPARED TO SUPPORT THROUGH INFORMAL CONTACTS AT NATO AN

ITALIAN WILLINGNESS TO PROCEED SHOULD THEY RAISE THE
QUESTION OF ALLIED ATTITUDES. GLITMAN

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